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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

SUBJECT: The Romanian Assistance Committee in Paris

1. On 17 December 1949, a confidential informant of this Office who is a member of the Romanian Assistance Committee in Paris related the following information concerning activities within the organization. DOI: 17 December 1949. Evaluation: C-3.

2. At the present time, General RADESCU, the leader of the organization, is the center of discussions held by the various parties within the Assistance Committee. There is not only a movement backed by the English to oust the General, but also several within the parties of the Committee. The General's remarks concerning Romanians outside of ROMANIA and regarding political parties were not well received by anyone, including King MICHAEL. Most people seem to think that RADESCU is working towards a government with the principles of the General ANTONESCU dictatorship.

The strongest force in these movements is the National Peasant Party of MANIU. The force lies in the fact that it controls the funds of the Assistance Committee through CRISTEANU, the treasurer of the NPP. All funds of the NPP which were in countries outside ROMANIA were deposited under the personal accounts of CRISTEANU. General RADESCU, aside from his small collections in the UNITED STATES, must count heavily on CRISTEANU for financial assistance.

The man most widely favored as the successor to RADESCU is General Peter LAZAR.

3. HERESCU Nicu, a French Mason and the confidential agent of General RADESCU, is also alleged to be the agent of former King CAROL. All RADESCU's activities supposedly are transmitted to the King via HERESCU.

4. AGENT'S COMMENTS: Information has been received from another source (P-6) that the Military Section of the Assistance Committee in Paris has requested a representative to the Washington Committee. If this request, which allegedly has strong support, is granted, the likely

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number for this It will be (Colonel) ARTHUR Mircea, a Rumanian who passed
through friends on his escape from RUMANIA. (See MOIC No. 6965, dated
1 November 1949, for: Movement to Onst General RADESCU, regarding
the British-supplied movement.)

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